



# OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

HALL OF JUSTICE

JIM McDONNELL, SHERIFF



February 2, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS FOR A  
SOLE SOURCE AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT NUMBER 77869 WITH  
MORPHOTRUST USA, INCORPORATED FOR LIVESCAN EQUIPMENT  
MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES**

**SUBJECT**

This letter provides advance notification to the Board that the Los Angeles County (County) Sheriff's Department (Department) intends to enter into negotiations for a Sole Source Amendment (Amendment) to Agreement Number 77869 (Agreement) with MorphoTrust USA, Incorporated (MorphoTrust) for continued maintenance and support of the Department's livescan equipment, which will add approximately \$3,183,522 to the Maximum Contract Sum.

**PURPOSE**

The Amendment will extend the term of the Agreement for one year with up to 12 additional months for continued maintenance and support of livescan equipment utilized by the Department and other law enforcement agencies within the Los Angeles County Regional Identification System (LACRIS), while the Department completes its solicitation for implementation of a replacement system. The current livescan system is a mission-critical application customized to meet the specific needs of the Department. The Agreement expires on November 30, 2016.

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## **BACKGROUND**

In 2005, the County purchased 173 new livescan devices through the Internal Services Department (ISD). The devices are housed in every Sheriff's station, police station, criminal booking facility, Coroner's Office, District Attorney's Office, Probation Department's office, and all but two of the courthouses in the County. The livescan system is used to catalogue an average of 1,200 fingerprint enrollments per day throughout the County.

On November 25, 2008, the Board approved Sole Source Agreement Number 76819 for a term of four years with Identix Incorporated. The agreement expired November 30, 2012.

On November 20, 2012, the Board approved a successor Sole Source Agreement Number 77869, with MorphoTrust (formerly Identix, Incorporated), which expires on November 30, 2016, and is in its final option year.

The Department has engaged a consultant to work on a Request for Proposals (RFP) to purchase a replacement system. The acquisition of a replacement system will allow the Department to take advantage of new and emerging technologies that cannot be acquired within the scope of the current Agreement.

The Agreement was amended on three prior occasions to exercise the option term extensions, add new County-mandated provisions, and memorialize the merger of Identix, Incorporated with MorphoTrust.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The Department will seek approval from the Remote Access Network (RAN) Board to fund the cost of the proposed Amendment through the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) Fund (Number 41079). The expenditures for these services are estimated to be \$1,591,761 annually or \$132,647 monthly, at no cost to the County.

## **SOLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION**

The Amendment is necessary to ensure that the livescan equipment, digital camera systems, and printers continue to operate efficiently and effectively. The Agreement provides for a contingency fund to procure additional software, hardware, and professional services on an as-needed basis, allowing the equipment to remain fully functional and up-to-date throughout the term of the Agreement.

MorphoTrust is the sole provider of support and maintenance services for all enrollment equipment in the County. The livescan devices in use are comprised exclusively of proprietary hardware and software customized to meet the needs of the Department and other LACRIS agencies. The livescan equipment, hardware, and software can only be maintained by MorphoTrust. MorphoTrust does not license, certify, or otherwise endorse any third party to provide maintenance or support services to its proprietary technology.

The proposed Amendment will also allow the Department to complete the solicitation process that has been initiated for a new livescan capture solution.

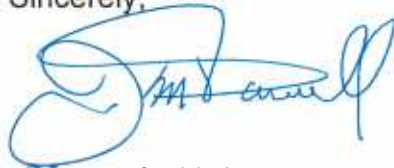
The Chief Information Office has reviewed and concurs with this Sole Source approach.

**CONCLUSION**

Pursuant to Board policy, the Department will proceed with Sole Source negotiations in four weeks, unless otherwise instructed by the Board.

Should you have any questions, please contact Contracts Manager Angelo Faiella, Contracts Unit, at (213) 229-3259.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jim McDonnell", is written over a large, stylized blue circular mark.

JIM McDONNELL  
SHERIFF